

NOT VOTING—10

Cox	Nadler	Smith (NJ)
Crane	Neumann	Yates
Lowey	Radanovich	
McHugh	Schiff	

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The Clerk announced the following pair: On this vote:

Radanovich of California for, with Mr. Yates of Illinois, against.

Ms. STABENOW and Mr. MARTINEZ changed their vote from "aye" to "no." Mr. FORD changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, with regard to the vote on final passage for H.R. 1119, the Defense Authorization Act, I was unavoidably detained. I support of H.R. 1119. This bill safeguards that our military will continue to defend the Nation's vital interests. H.R. 1119 ensures that the American military will be ready for the 21st century battlefield. In particular, it adds \$2.6 billion to the President's deficient budget request, making for a total of approximately \$268.2 billion. The bill is robust in terms of offering a balanced research and development program that will include advanced technologies and improved capabilities. Mr. Speaker, I support my colleagues who voted in favor of H.R. 1119.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WICKER). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from South Carolina?

There was no objection.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.R. 1119, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous that in the engrossment of the bill, H.R. 1119, the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, cross references, and the table of contents and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions

of the House in amending the bill, H.R. 1119, and to make the following corrections: On page 492, line 19, of the printed bill, strike "2,000,000" and insert "2,000 millions".

In the section added by the amendment designated as amendment No. 25 in part 2 of House Report 105-137, strike "63695N" and insert "63795N".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the corrections.

The Clerk read as follows:

(A) On page 492, line 19, of the printed bill, strike "2,000,000" and insert "2,000 millions".

(B) In the section added by the amendment as amendment #25 in part 2 of House Report 105-137, strike "63695N" and insert "63795N".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from South Carolina?

There was no objection.

REGARDING COST OF GOVERNMENT DAY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 102.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. SESSIONS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 102, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 386, nays 20, answered "present" 13, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 237]

YEAS—386

Abercrombie
Ackerman
Aderholt
Allen
Andrews
Archer
Armey
Bachus
Baesler
Baker
Baldacci
Ballenger
Barcia
Barr
Barrett (NE)
Barrett (WI)
Bartlett
Bass
Bateman
Bentsen
Bereuter
Berman
Berry
Bilbray
Bilirakis
Bishop
Blagojevich
Bliley
Blumenauer
Blunt
Boehlert
Boehner
Bonilla
Bono
Borski
Boswell
Boucher
Boyd
Brady
Brown (CA)
Brown (OH)

Bryant
Bunning
Burr
Burton
Buyer
Callahan
Calvert
Camp
Campbell
Canady
Cannon
Capps
Cardin
Castle
Chabot
Chambliss
Chenoweth
Christensen
Clay
Clement
Clyburn
Coble
Coburn
Collins
Combest
Condit
Cook
Cooksey
Costello
Cramer
Crane
Crane
Crapo
Cubin
Cummings
Cunningham
Danner
Davis (FL)
Davis (IL)
Davis (VA)
Deal
DeFazio

DeGette
DeLauro
DeLay
Deutsch
Diaz-Balart
Dickey
Dicks
Dingell
Dixon
Doggett
Dooley
Doolittle
Doyle
Dreier
Duncan
Edwards
Ehlers
Ehrlich
Emerson
Engel
English
Ensign
Eshoo
Etheridge
Evans
Everett
Ewing
Farr
Fattah
Fawell
Filner
Foglietta
Foley
Forbes
Ford
Fowler
Fox
Frank (MA)
Franks (NJ)
Frelinghuysen
Frost

Gallegly
Ganske
Gejdenson
Gekas
Gephardt
Gibbons
Gilchrest
Gillmor
Gilman
Gonzalez
Goode
Goodlatte
Goodling
Gordon
Goss
Graham
Granger
Green
Greenwood
Gutierrez
Gutknecht
Hall (OH)
Hall (TX)
Hamilton
Hansen
Harman
Hastert
Hastings (WA)
Hayworth
Hefley
Hefner
Herger
Hill
Hilleary
Hilliard
Hinchey
Hinojosa
Hobson
Hoekstra
Holden
Hooley
Horn
Hostettler
Houghton
Hoyer
Hulshof
Hunter
Hutchinson
Hyde
Inglis
Istook
Jackson-Lee
(TX)
Jefferson
Jenkins
John
Johnson (CT)
Johnson (WI)
Johnson, Sam
Jones
Kasich
Kelly
Kennedy (MA)
Kennedy (RI)
Kennelly
Kildee
Kilpatrick
Kim
Kind (WI)
King (NY)
Kingston
Klecza
Klink
Klug
Knollenberg
Kolbe
Kucinich
LaFalce
LaHood
Lampson
Lantos
Largent
Latham
LaTourette
Lazio
Leach
Levin
Lewis (CA)
Lewis (KY)

Linder
Lipinski
Livingston
LoBiondo
Lucas
Luther
Maloney (CT)
Maloney (NY)
Manton
Manzullo
Markey
Martinez
Mascara
Matsui
McCarthy (MO)
McCarthy (NY)
McCollum
McCrery
McDade
McGovern
McHale
McInnis
McIntosh
McIntyre
McKeon
McKinney
McNulty
Meehan
Meek
Menendez
Metcalf
Mica
Millender
McDonald
Miller (FL)
Minge
Mink
Moakley
Molinari
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)
Morella
Myrick
Neal
Nethercutt
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nussle
Oberstar
Oliver
Ortiz
Oxley
Packard
Pallone
Pappas
Parker
Pascarell
Pastor
Paul
Paxon
Pease
Peterson (MN)
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pickett
Pitts
Pombo
Pomeroy
Porter
Portman
Poshard
Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Quinn
Radanovich
Rahall
Ramstad
Rangel
Redmond
Regula
Reyes
Riggs
Riley
Rivers
Rodriguez
Roemer
Rogan

Rogers
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Rothman
Roukema
Royce
Rush
Ryun
Sabo
Salmon
Sanchez
Sanders
Sandlin
Sanford
Sawyer
Saxton
Scarborough
Schaefer, Dan
Schaffer, Bob
Schumer
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherman
Shimkus
Shuster
Sisisky
Skaggs
Skeen
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (MI)
Smith (OR)
Smith (TX)
Smith, Adam
Smith, Linda
Snowbarger
Snyder
Solomon
Souder
Spence
Spratt
Stabenow
Stearns
Stenholm
Strickland
Stump
Stupak
Sununu
Talent
Tanner
Tauscher
Tauzin
Taylor (MS)
Taylor (NC)
Thomas
Thompson
Thornberry
Thune
Thurman
Tiahrt
Traficant
Turner
Upton
Vento
Visclosky
Walsh
Wamp
Watkins
Watt (NC)
Watts (OK)
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
Wexler
Weygand
White
Whitfield
Wicker
Wise
Wolf
Woolsey
Wynn
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

NAYS—20

Bonior
Clayton
Conyers
Coyne
Dellums
Jackson (IL)
Kanjorski
McDermott
Miller (CA)
Mollohan
Murtha
Payne
Roybal-Allard
Scott

Serrano
Stark
Tierney
Towns
Velazquez
Waters

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—13

Becerra	Hastings (FL)	Owens
Brown (FL)	Johnson, E. B.	Pelosi
Carson	Kaptur	Torres
Flake	Lewis (GA)	
Furse	Lofgren	

NOT VOTING—15

Barton	Lowey	Schiff
Cox	McHugh	Smith (NJ)
Delahunt	Nadler	Stokes
Dunn	Neumann	Waxman
Fazio	Obey	Yates

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Mr. JACKSON of Illinois changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. NADLER. Mr. Speaker, earlier today I was unavoidably out of the Chamber when a couple of rollcall votes were taken. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall 235, "no" on rollcall 236 and "no" on rollcall 237.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2015, BALANCED BUDGET ACT OF 1997, AND H.R. 2014, TAXPAYER RELIEF ACT OF 1997

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 174 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 174

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 2015) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(1) and (c) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998. The bill shall be considered as read for amendment. The amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1 pursuant to clause 6 of rule XXIII shall be considered as adopted. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) three hours of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget; and (2) one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 2. At any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2014) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill and against provisions in the bill, as amended by this resolution, are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed three hours equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the

Ways and Means. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 2 pursuant to clause 6 of rule XXIII shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment and shall be considered as read. No other amendment shall be in order except the further amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1 pursuant to clause 6 of rule XXIII, which may be offered only by Representative Rangel of New York or his designee, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against that amendment are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill, as amended, for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendment as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and any further amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. COMBEST). The gentleman from New York [Mr. SOLOMON] is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, for the purposes of debate only, I yield 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MOAKLEY], pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of the resolution, all time yielded is for the purposes of debate only.

(Mr. SOLOMON asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks and to include extraneous material.)

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 174 is the customary structured rule for the consideration of a budget reconciliation bill. In this case, the rule provides for the consideration of reconciliation legislation in two parts, which reflects the bipartisan budget agreement reached between Congress and the White House on May 2, 1997.

Mr. Speaker, this rule first waives all points of order against the consideration of the legislation, the Balanced Budget Act. The rule provides 3 hours of debate on the entitlement reform bill, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking member of the Committee on the Budget.

The rule also considers the amendment printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD and numbered 1 as adopted upon the adoption of this rule. This amendment by the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. KASICH] reflects hours of negotiations between Democrats and Republicans and between the White House and this Congress, both bodies of this Congress.

This amendment attempts to resolve many of the outstanding issues related to our bipartisan efforts to reform the Nation's out-of-control entitlement

spending. And we all know that it is totally out of control.

The rule further waives all points of order against the provisions of the bill as amended by the rule. After the conclusion of the 3 hours of debate, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

Yesterday, we informed the minority members of the Committee on Rules that we were prepared to grant a rule allowing one Democrat substitute to be offered by the minority leader or his designee. However, we were informed yesterday that such a substitute would not be offered, even though we were willing to make that amendment in order.

□ 1145

In addition, section 2 of the rule provides for consideration of the second part of this reconciliation product, the Taxpayer Relief Act. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of this bill and against its provisions as amended by the rule. The rule further provides another 3 hours of general debate on this tax cutting measure, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and the ranking member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule also considers the amendment printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD and numbered 2 as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. This amendment, drafted by the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARCHER], reflects further negotiations between the various interested parties involved in the implementation of the tax portion of this bipartisan agreement with the White House.

Furthermore, the rule provides for the consideration of a substitute amendment printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD and numbered 1 only if offered by the gentleman from New York [Mr. RANGEL] or his designee.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment is debatable for 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and is not subject to amendment or to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole and all points of order are waived against the amendment. This amendment, offered by the gentleman from New York [Mr. RANGEL], the ranking Democrat on the Committee on Ways and Means, represents the minority substitute to the tax bill.

Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

Mr. Speaker, after hearing testimony up in the Committee on Rules yesterday for more than 5 hours and from more than 40 witnesses, the Committee on Rules has produced a rule that is very similar to that used on reconciliation bills going all the way back to the 96th Congress, over two decades. Furthermore, after consultation with the minority and our committee, we actually extended the total debate time on the two bills from 5 hours to 7